HEAVY FAILURE IN BOSTON.

EUSPENSION OF THE BANKING HOUSE OF CHAS. A. SWEET & CO. Liabilities Between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000, 600-The Firm Probably Able to Pay in Full-Effect of the Failure in This City.

Boston, March 6. The banking house of Chas, A. Screet & Co., 40 State street, suspended payment this morning, causing much excitement in financial circles. A committee is investigating the affairs of the concern, and it is asserted by those familiar with its business that the suspension will prove only a temporary one. The house, it is said, has recently borrowed about \$2,000,000 from Boston banks on collateral, for which they hold, among other securities, \$700,000 of Massachusetts Central bonds. The read is a new one, its bonds have shrunk in value, and the banks which have been carrying the bonds have called on Sweet & Co.
for additional funds. To this call the firm has been unable to respond.

een unable to respond. Charles A. Sweet, the senior member of the firm, is reported to be worth fully \$1,000,000 that is not involved in the failure. The other members of the firm are G. W. D. Riley, A. W. members of the firm are G. W. D. Riiey, A. W. Perkins, and Walter H. Sweet. There was not a suspicion of their weakness until the announcement of the suspension at 12 o'clock. The firm subscribed to only \$50,000 of Massachusetts Central bonds at the start, but have since loaned large sums unon them, and have of late been buying beavily to sustain the market. It is rumored that the collaise of the Connolton Valley securities has hastened the disaster. Massachusetts Central bonds were quoted at 101 last summer, and the sales on Saturday were at 80. Brokers now expect a serious break from the latter prices. The road is a very short one, is newly built, and conservative men have long locked upon the bonds as selling beyond their value.

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Col. Tower of Tower, Giddings & Co., one of the examining committee investigating the affairs of Chas. A. Sweet & Co., says that the habilities of the firm will amount to between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000, and that the firm will probably not resume, but will liquidate in full, Sweet & Co., say that if they could dispose of their securities at present market prices they would have a harge surplus over their liabilities. The principal creditors are several banks, but they are not likely to be unfavorably affected. Cel. Tower says that the suspension need not haveoccurred had a little more backbone been displayed in shifting loans, and he is certain that the creditors of the suspended firm will less nothing.

The Transcript says: The liabilities of the firm are in round numbers \$2,800,000, and cutside of the Massachusetts Central bonds, the assets are first-class in every respect. A list of the assets shows \$2,500,000 of bonds, which excluding the \$600,000 of Massachusetts Central bonds, stand unquestioned as the claicest investment securities in the market. Among them are \$33,000 of bonds of cities. States, and towns, mostly in New England; Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Rallroad Company's four per cent, bonds, Burlington and Misseuri River Railroad in Nebraska bonds, New York and New England bonds and Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore trust certificates. The unsecured liabilities of the firm are about \$2,50,000; and Mr. Sweet has personal property outside the firm more than sufficient to secure this amount. The members of the firm say that no creditor need lose a dollar, and an investigation of the assets shows a remarkably clean sheet. The effect of the failure in the Brokers Board was less than would be that of almost any other banker in the saying that reckning the value of the Massachusetts Centra

The suspension was known by the banking houses in this city which have close relations with Boston aimost as soon as it was announced in that city. It was some time, however, before Wall street generally became informed of the facts and during that period the Edward Sweet & Co., said yestering that for several years past the transactions between the two houses had been very small. When Edward Sweet & Co. were members of some of the syndicates engaged in placing the tunded Government bonds it worked in Boston through Charlies A. Sweet & Co. Other the relation of the New York to the Boston house has been simply that of a collection and draft correspondent. The only business interest Edward Sweet & Co. have in the suspension is that it owes the suspendent firm a small balance. The stock orders of the Boston house have been executed through several brokerage houses, non-nof which, so far as can be learned, will like by the failure. Mr. Buil said that the suspension was a surprise to his firm, and that he was confident that C. A. Sweet & Co. would pay in full.

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Several bankers said yesterday that the failure was not a surprise to them, nor was it to well-informed basiness men in Boston, Although the firm rated the highest both as to capital and credit, and had alongs investment patronage, principally in New England, the fact had been known for some time that it had taken too deep an interest in new enterprises, especially the Massachuseits Central, and that its management was not equal to its capital and credit. So far as the Boston banks were concerned a bank officer of this city said that the recent events in that cit, lad induced the banks to discriminate in their leans, and scale down any interfaces risks, so that he was confidently of the option that none of them would be embarriesed.

No indications were discoverable vesterday that any concern in this risk would be affected by the failure. Large orders to sell stocks in this market came from Boston during the day, presumably from timid holders operators who relied upon the depressing influence of the failure here and by persons who were compelled to realize because their funds are locked up with the suspended firm.

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libral owned by Judge Magnuler, and valued at 15,000; Side King's house, the teart House and a the reaches a spit the han rewords, the legister of Wills office, and every private declinar in the town, exact one, which with the rains of an old frame church, afford the only present means of shelter for the thousand inhabitants. The progress of the flames was unchecked from the start, there being no means of fighting them. The inhabitants had to take to the woods to escape the fire, some of them not saving enough clothing to wear. Assistance will be sent to tifem to morrow. The loss will probably exceed \$125,000, as everything in the village, including merchandise and personal property, was destroyed.

The site of Prime Frederick, which is one of the oldest towns in the State, is surrounded for miles by dense tracts of woods, and the only means of reaching it by land is over rough cordurely roads. Steamboats run up the Patuxent River, within fifteen miles of the

TO BE HANGED IN APRIL.

Young McGloin Sentenced in New York and Old Graves in Newark.

Michael E. McGloin, the 19-year-old murderer of Louis Hanier, the French wine shop keeper of West Twenty-sixth street, was taken o the General Sessions yesterday to be sen-McGloin was unmoved by the gaze of many

eyes as he was led to the bar. His face, boyish

eyes as he was led to the bar. His face, boylsh and bright, wore a smile, and his eyes had a pleased expression in them. Assistant District Attorney F flows moved for sentence, and then Chief Clerk Sparks said:

"What have you to say, prisoner at the bar, why the sentence of death should not be promoted upon you necording to law?"

Nothing, the prisoner tranquilly answered. Medion's counsel said that no legal ability could, in his judgment, have produced a different result in the trial. The confession of Medion, which counsel believed to have been obtained in an improper manner, was an insermountable barrier to a successful defonce. But the prisoner had the right of appeal to a higher court, and this might be successful.

Medion stood at ease at the bar while Recorder Smyth rehearsed the history of his crime. In concluding the Recorder said:

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crime. In concluding the Recorder said:

I regret to be compelled to say that your conduct, both prix and subsequent to the homistic, shows you to be a person of a deprayed mind, and wholly regardless of animan life. I trust that your fate will serve as a warning to many others whe large will be recentled and are leading a file of crime. I surreat you fo apply yourself during the short period you have to live in preparation, by pentience and contrition, and with the aid of such religious instruction as you may obtain, to meet that doors which the law most justly pronounces against those who inlawfully take numan life. The judgment and sentence of the fourt is hat you be taken hence to the prison from which they would be such there to be kept in close custody until Friday, the 28th day of April host, on which day you be then and there hanged by the neck until you are dead, and may tood have merey on your soul.

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Bills introduced in the Assembly:

By Mr. O'Ael,—Amending the code so that a conviction
cannot be had upon the testimony of a single accomplica
unless corroburated by such evidence as tends to connect the defendants with the commission of the erime.

By Mr. Institute—Abolishing the offices of Division and
Resident Engineer, and conferring their powers and duties upon the State Engineer and Surveyor, who shall
appoint a deputy, to be called the Unnai Engineer, who
shall in turn employ necessary clerical force. The expossess of the Conference of the Connection of the State
habite for all damages alone to any employee in consenamers of any negligence of its employees.

By Mr. Newman—Providing for the pavement of that
ler struct strocking, between New York avenue and
Nostrand avenue, and assessing the cost upon lands and
property benefited by such improvement.

By Mr. Morison—Allowing St. Michael's Protestant
Episcopal Church of New York to acquire and hold land
to the extent of fifty acres adjoining its cometery in
york. Allowing the contingence of the series hooks,
in the office of the Registrar of Arrears, to be examined.

By Mr. Morison—Allowing and the five areas books
in the Comptroller's office, and also a duplicate set for
the Registrar of Arrears. The Comptroller is suthorized
to issue arrearage compilation bonds in such amount as
shall be necessary.

Mr. Sheridan introduced a resolution requesting our Senators and Representatives in
Congress to support the measure advocated by
the Hon, W. E. Beblinson and the Hon, S. N.
Cox in the House of Representatives, demanding a speedy trial or the immediate release of
American citizens now confined in British dungeons. Adopted.

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Its use shows its worth, we mean that antidots to coughs and coids, Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.—Adv.

Material of two tenement bousses for sale. Apply a family Story Paper office.—Adv.

PREPARING FOR A BATTLE.

A REPORT THAT HAS AROUSED THE DEMOCRATS IN THE HOUSE. Another of Secor Robeson's Plans Miscarries

-The Attempt of the Republicans to Get an Exclusive Control Over Legislation. Washington, March 6 .- A few days ago Mr. Reed of Maine made a report to the House. It was the offspring of the Committee on Rules, and, though seemingly an inoffensive little thing at first sight, it has raised a sulphurous cloud. The chances are that there will be a erash to-morrow, for the Republicans, under the lead of cunning Mr. Reed, are disposed to force the report on the House, while the Demo-crats will meet them with filibustering if necessary. The Democrats, in fact, bound them-selves by caucus pledge to-night to flibuster till midsummer if necessary to defeat Mr. Reed's little report. The Committee on Rules, like some of the leading Republicans, was disposed to credit the Democrats with stupidity. Secor Robeson actually believed that the Democrats would not see, until it was too late, that the report was sinister, and that Mr. Reed's recommendation was crooked wisdom. The object of the report is to put it in the object of the report is to put it in the power of certain pet committees to control general legislation. A change in the rules was proposed which made it possible for a majority of a committee, eight men or thereabouts, absolutely to dictate to the House of Representatives what bills should be acted upon. Mr. Reed's subtle explanation of the proposition is that it is designed to facilitate legislation. He would not need to argue that point with the Democratic members. They admit that it is a self-evident proposition. The proposed rule, if adopted, would, they say, facilitate the transaction of business but it would do so because there would be no business to transact except such as the majority of a committee favored, it would make the House subject to legislative lynch law.

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cile in this city. Father Havermans said that yesterday afternoon Annie Maloney, aged 14 years, who lives in the Jones house, called on him and asked what she ought to do when people told her not to tell the truth.

The not heed them, my child, replied the priest, but tell the truth at all times.

That is what I thought, answered the child, and I will tell you what I saw. I know, Father, that I saw the Blessed Virgin at the house where I live in the rear of 300 First street. I saw it first and told the others. I began to tell about it outside, and was told that I must not the about it outside, and was told that I must not the about it outside, and was tool that I must not the about it outside, and was tool that I must not the about it outside, and was possible at Mr. Jones's house, but said it was possible is that what the Maioney girl had said was true. She was a very good girl. Then agan it might be a deussion, he said, I twas not in his parish, and he had not made any investigation. But it had about made any investigation. But it had be had not made any investigation. But it had be had not made any investigation. But it had be had not made any investigation. But it had be had not made any investigation. But it had be had not made any investigation. But it had been searly for the said of the was witnessed by thousands besides myself. It was while I was a student at Potiers, in France, on the Jubilec of Lee XII. In 1824. When the services were about to commence at midday across had been and remained for hearity an hour. I have winderful speciale was discussed by the press, and the name of the structure was changed to the Church is very rehierant to move the edifice and remained for hearity an hour. I have winderful speciale was discussed by the press, and the name of the structure was changed to the Church is very rehierant to move in these matters,

BEECHER'S SUDDEN ILLNESS.

Stricken on the Lecture Platform in Chicago and Almost Falling to the Floor.

CRICAGO, March 6.- Henry Ward Beecher undertook to lecture in Central Music Hall this evening. The large auditorium was filled by a fashionable audience. He came on the platform at the appointed time in the company of Prof. Swing. He looked unusually flushed, but otherwise appeared very much as usual. He began his lecture in a full, round voice, but as he was warming to his thome his tongue faitered, and he paused with a word half uttered and a sentence unfinished. merce the Dutch standard. The existing law word half uttered and a sentence unfinished. He seasyed to speak, but failed, and would have failed had not Prof. Swing and others hastened the his side and helped him to a sofa, on which he said helpedsy. The adulates hastened the his side and helped him to a sofa, on which he said helpedsy. The adulates he had not prof. Swing as teped to the front, moved that he said helpedsy. The adulates he had been profit to the prof. Swing steped to the front, moved that he said helpedsy. The adulates he had been few and anys. The years were feet blook but here were no nance, and the weak and nays. The years were feet blook in the words. The years were feet blook in the words of the said of the said helped him he was then taken to a hotel, where physicians who had been carried to a hotel, where physicians who had been carried to a hotel, where physicians who had been carried to a hotel, where physicians who had been carried to a hotel, where physicians who had been summoned that the lifenses would probably soon puss away. Mr. Beenler ways and seven he for the said of the sa He essayed to speak, but failed, and would have fallen had not Prof. Swing and others

Agreeing to a Protocol to Serve as the Basis of a Treaty of Peace.

sract, the Gorge, and the Wilripool.

Nigaria Falls. March 3.—This village was thrown into unusual excitoment to-days). The Rev. Peter Havernans is the pastor of St. Mary's Church, which is the richest Roman (table) congregation in the adventures of a large dog. He was first noticed while he was within the influence of the upper rapids. As he whiteir applied down over haft as entury age. A correspondent of the upper rapids. As he whiteir applied down over haft as entury age. A correspondent of the upper rapids. As he whiteir applied down over haft as entury age, and the whiteir applied down over haft as entury age. A correspondent of the upper rapids. As he whiteir applied down over haft as entury age, and the whiteir applied down over haft as entury age. A correspondent of the upper rapids. As he whiteir applied down over haft as entury age, and the wind applied over hard as the inst of him. Shortly afterward, however, he was discovered in the garge below the falls and one imagined but that that was the last of him. Shortly afterward, however, he was discovered in the garge below the falls and the same of the upper rapid of the conferences between Prox. Because of the conference of the water at this evening to obtain his opinion of the alleged approach was the last of him. Shortly afterward, however, he was discovered in the garge below the falls and the same discovered to the water at this evening to obtain the opinion of the same the proposed of the conference of the water at this evening to obtain the opinion of the same than the same of the conference of the water at the same through the proposed of the conference of the water at the same through the proposed of the conference of the water at the same through the proposed of the conference of the water at the same through the proposed of the conference of the water at the same through the proposed of the conference of the water at the proposed of the conference of the water at the proposed of the conference of the water at the proposed of the conference of cel to be submitted to the Peruvian Government to serve as a basis for a treaty of peace between Peru and Chili. The protocol recognizes Chili's claim to the cession of Tarapaca, but leaves the subject of an indemnity in abeyance, or at least does not stignified for immediate or early payment. Mr. Troscott has ninety days allowed him in which to submit this to some competent Government in Peru, If on the expiration of that time he has not secured its signature by a Government in whose stability Chili can coulde, the protocol becomes full and void. The time allowed is too short in which to do anything effective. All the efforts of the Chilians up to the present time point to a disposition to continue the occupation indefinitely. In the mean time, Bolivia is said to be awaiting the moment when Chili exacuates Tacan and Arica to take possession of that valuable department, and further dismember Peru.

A meeting is reported to have been held in Liana looking toward the organization of a new Government, of which Pierola will be a conspicuous member. Dr. Antonio Arenas is spoken of for the Pierola will be a conspicuous member. Dr. Antonio Arenas is spoken of for the presidency. An Executive Committee was appointed to arrange preliminaries to foster a great popular movement in favor of a new and strong administration. It is composed of the following members, all strong men in political circles: Dr. Arenas Mr. Pierola, Capt. Garen y Gareia, and Messre, Lavalle, Torrico, and Alarco.

Responsible for a Fatal Explosion. Coroner Keller last night continued the in-

quest in the case of Levi. Sievens, the number who was killed by the boiler explosion near Fulton Ferry in Brooklyn. The litry brought in a verified placing the entire responsibility of the explosion and of Stevens's death upon the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection Company in giving permission to earry more tresure than the boiler was able to sustain. They also recommended that boilers should be tested with the hanner as well as with the hydrostatic test.

Judge Westbrook has ordered Gen. Husted

the receiver, to sell the property of the Rockaway Beach Improvement Company, including the great be tel, eighty acres of land, and gas and water works, val-ued at about \$1,000.000. The sale is in the interest of the principal creditors, who propose to reorganize the company.

JOHN SHERMAN'S STATUTE. THE SUPREME COURT OFERTURNS HIS

FAMOUS SUGAR ORDER. A Victory the Importers have Waited Long For - Heavy Tariff Exactions Collected Without Color of Law-A Sharp Rebuke.

WASHINGTON, March 6.- In all the tariff acts since 1861 sugars have been classified for duty according to color solely and by comparison with what is called in the law and in commerce the Dutch standard. The existing law provides that sugar not above No. 7 Dutch standard in color shall pay a duty of 1% cents per pound and 25 per cent. ad valorem; sugar above No. 7 and not above No. 10 Dutch stand-

partiment to follow when Congress chooses to change the law.

This decision of the Court is of great importance. It affects not only hundreds of thousands of dollars exacted from importers and merchants during the last four years which must now be refunded, but it has an immediate bearing on the future of the sugar trade and an aggressive influence on Congress. Legislation cannot now be avoided without a serious and inexcusable neglect of duty on the part of Congress. The interests of the Government as well as of the sugar trade demand reasonably prompt action. The amount to be refunded is about \$2,000,000. A CARESS FOLLOWED BY A BULLET. A Barber Shoots his Wife and then Himself-Her Wound Probably Mortal.

John Berghold, a melancholy barber, shot his wife Mary yesterday, injuring her perhaps fatally, and then he made an ineffectual at-tempt upon his own life. Berghold is 33 years old and his wife is 29. They have been married

dand his wife is 29. They have been married twelve years, he says, and have five children. He keeps a little shop at 1.483 Third avenue, and together they lived in a fourth-floor teneral most and together they lived in a fourth-floor teneral most according to the same and together they lived in a fourth-floor teneral most according to the same and the sa

THE MISSISSIPPI AGAIN RISING.

Greater Disaster in Store for the Country Below Memphis-Levees Breaking. MEMPHIS, March 6 .- At 7 A. M. the gauge at the river indicated 36 feet, a rise of four inches since yesterday morning, doubtless caused by local rains, which fell in torrents all yesterday afternoon and last night throughout the entire country tributary to Memphis. The telegraph wires between Memphis and Helena are down, and nothing can be heard from that point. Great fears are entertained that the at that place, as the rise here was unprecedented and must have been fully six inches at Helena. All the streams between here and and back on the other, being switched by Cairo were pouring out floods this morning, and a greater disaster to the country below must necessarily be the result.

A telegram was sent to the Governor this afternoon by the President of the Cotton Exchange of Memphis, suggesting that the Secretary of War be officially notified of the distress which prevails in Tennessee, to the end that a portion of the amount donated by Congress be distributed among the needy Tennesseeans

assassin of the Queen, was quietly removed on Saturday to the Reading Jail. The solicitor of his family writes

Bradlaugh's Expuision Reaffirmed.

LONDON, March 6 .- In the House of Commons

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LONDON March 5.—Austrian Chrisches Granual

TRANSIT OVER THE BRIDGE.

CARS TO BE CLAMPED WITH A BRAKE TO AN ENDLESS WIRE ROPE.

on High Platforms at the Ends, which may be Connected with the Elevated Ronds,

At a meeting of the trustees of the East River Bridge held yesterday afternoon the mode of car transit across it was definitely decided upon. The cars are to be drawn over by an endless wire rope kept in constant motion. and are to run on the circulating system—that is to say, they will be drawn over on one track motors from track to track at the termini upon elevated platforms. The elevated platforms will prevent any encumbering of the readway of the bridge, and will afford a connection with the elevated roads if that is deemed necessary. This plan was rendered more feasible by an invention of Col. W. H. Paine of the engineer corps of the bridge, by which the cars may be attached to the wire rope by a clamp, the sides of which are composed of revolving grooved wheels brought into action upon the rope or spread apart by the movement of a lever brake. A car can be detached from the rope or can be started by one motion of the brake, and the grip of the horizontal wheels can be tightened until the cars partake of the full speed of the wire rope.

which prevails in Tennessees, to the end that a portion of the amount donated by Congress be distributed among the needy Tennesseeans whose lands have been inundated. From most trustworlivy sources he learns that about 3,000 are suffering by the everiflow.

Laroungit, La. March 6.—At 10 A. M. yesterday, at Pittinan's place, these miles below a sweep of water thrity feet wide and ten teet deep. Three large plantations are nicarby under water. On the left, on the Morgan track, from the forey such that the track. Efforts have been made to stop it. The Morgan road has sent for lumber, sacks, and 200 men. There is another serious crevases the foreign of the track. Efforts have been made to stop it. The Morgan road has sent for lumber, sacks, and 200 men. There is another serious crevases that the serious of the track. Efforts have been made to stop it. The Morgan road has sent for lumber, sacks, and 200 men. There is another serious crevases the serious of the serious of the track of the serious of

time for its crection, according to the contract, has expired.

Upon m stlen of Gen. H. W. Sleetim, the engineers were requested to keep the trustees informed from month to month of the progress of the work on the bridge. The financial statement showed that \$13,543,947.19 in all had been expended.

The Freeman's Journal of to-day publishes a The Freeman's Journal of to-day publishes a translation of the Popes Encycleal letter of Feb. 17. It is addressed to the prelates of Italy, and sets forth the state of the Church in that country. It says that the gatherings of religious socialities are taken away, the overlattics of the Church are sequestrated, mortiages are railfed without Catholic rates, no page is left to exclusive the authority in the schooling of court. The Church suffers become being and the Paman Pourit is driven to excreme strains. For it he be rathed of its even to restrict the burst needs takes under the

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SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH.

Guitean's Bill of Exceptions.

Washinoton, March 6.—Mr. Scovillo has submitted to District Attorney Corabili the bill of exception in the full team case. The District Attorney said that the voluments downment and wall regime to the season and the state of the stat